Martin Teetor, inventor of an adding machine,
and the Teetor Adding Machine Company he headed.

Some time ago I searched for information about adding machines, and other office appliances. I found ads and articles about a Teetor adding machine, that I had never read or heard about. This lead to a search for the history of the Teetor Adding Machine Company, and of Martin Teetor, the man behind it.

Martin Teetor was born November 11 1862. He married Minnie J. Randolph April 8 1888. They had a daughter, Evelyn.

Martin Teetor was a watchmaker with the Marquard wholesale jewelry house. Repairing adding machines he became interested in their construction. He designed and built the Teetor adding and subtracting machine. The Teetor Adding Machine Company was formed December 18 1916.

Martin Teetor died of paralysis December 24 1920.

On December 24 1921 a fire destroyed the building where the Teetor Adding Machine Company was located, causing around half a million dollar in damages.
In 1922 the Teetor Adding Machine had moved to Los Angeles, and built a factory in Pomona. By March 1923 the building had been completed, and production started around August 1923. According to an article from February 5 1924, they were looking for another location. What happened after that, I was unable to find, but they had become inoperative and void by March 17 1926.

I also found Martin Teetor tied to the start of the Butler Machinery Company in Des Moines, but I do not know if it is the same man.

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Martin T Teetor
(1862 - Unknown)

Photos:
235

Records:
4,192

Family Trees:
33,045,443

Born in **Hagerstown, Indiana, USA** on **1862** to Daniel Teetor andSarah Teeter. Martin T Teetor married Minnie J Randolph and had 1 child. He passed away in **Des Moines, Iowa, USA**.

Relatives of Martin T Teetor

Parents

Daniel Teetor

Sarah Teeter
1820 - 1914

Spouse(s)

Minnie J Randolph

Children

Evelyn Teetor

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Evelyn Teetor

Photos:	Records:	Family Trees:
1,558	**104,345**	**1,035,483**

Born in **Des Moines, Iowa, USA** to Martin T Teetor andMinnie J Randolph. Evelyn Teetor married Von Kimber and had 4 children.

Relatives of Evelyn Teetor

Parents

Martin T Teetor
1862 - Unknown

Minnie J Randolph

Spouse(s)

Von Kimber

Children

John Addison Von Kimber

Jane Aubeny Von Kimber

Martin Randolph Von Kimber

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marriage record:

Name: Martin Teetor

Gender: Male

Marriage Date: 4 Apr 1888

Marriage Place: Des Moines, Polk, Iowa

Father: Daniel Teetor

Mother: Sarah Schultz

Spouse: Minnie J. Randolph

FHL Film Number: 1014767

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04 Minnie J Randolph marriage record - 1888 04 04..png

marriage record:

Name: Minnie J. Randolph

Gender: Female

Marriage Date: 4 Apr 1888

Marriage Place: Des Moines, Polk, Iowa

Father: Jacob W. Randolph

Mother: Catherine Woolley

Spouse: Martin Teetor

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Martin Teetor

BIRTH	11 Nov 1862
DEATH	24 Dec 1920 (aged 58)
BURIAL	Woodland Cemetery Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, USA
PLOT	Block: 18 Section: Lot: 00025
MEMORIAL ID	29622017 · View Source

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06 Minnie Randolph Teetor grave - 1865 - 1953 01..png

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Minnie *Randolph* Teetor

BIRTH	1865
DEATH	Jan 1953 (aged 87–88)
BURIAL	Woodland Cemetery Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, USA
PLOT	Blk 18 Lot 25
MEMORIAL ID	173122741 · View Source

06 Minnie Randolph Teetor grave - 1865 - 1953 01.png

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DESIGNER OF ADDING MACHINE Martin Teetor, designer of the Teetor adding machine, and head of the company of that name, died of paralysis at his home, 1410 Penn avenue, Friday afternoon. He nad been a resident of Des Moines thirty-five years. His first business venture here was with A. Y. Nailer in a jewelry store. Later he was connected with Marquardt & Sons In the same business. . About 1905 be became an expert operator for the Burroughs Adding Machine company In Des Moines. It was his experience with this concern which gave him Ideas for the Teetor machine, which he developed and put on the market about blx years ago. X , Mr. Teetor first was stricken with paralysis about a year ago. He partially recovered from this and resumed thy active management of his affairs. He continued until Friday morning, when he .tgaln was stricken. He Is survived bv his wife, Mrs. Minnie Randolph Teetor, a daughter, Evelyn, and also by two brothers and two sisters who live In Indiana. Funeral will be from McBrlde's funeral home at 2:80 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Burial will be in Woodland cemetery. The family requests that flowers be omitted.

1920 12 26 - Teetor Dies December 24th - The Des MoinesRegister p14 - OCR

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TEETOR ADDING MACHINE CO
Chas A Rawson Pres, Chas E Lynde Sec and Treas, Manufacturers of Adding and Subtracting and Book-keeping Machines, 720 6th av, Tel Walnut 4448
Teetor Minnie (wid Martin) res 1410 Penn av

1921 - Des Moines City Directory - Teetor Adding Machine Co - Teetor Minnie (wid Martin) - col2 row6 and 7.png

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Martin Teetor.

Mr. Martin Teetor passed away Dec. 24, at his home in Des Moines, Iowa and Messrs. Henry and Charles Teetor, of this place, attended the funeral.

Mr. Teetor was born and reared in this vicinity and is a brother of Elder Lewis Teetor and Mrs. Allyn Deetor, of this place. Mrs. Kate Deeter, of Eaton, Indiana, is a sister and Mr. Abe L. Teeter, of Indianapolis, is a brother.

He leaves a wife, a widowed daughter and three grand children.

Dr. H. J. WEAVER

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